DEPARTMENT OF CENTRAL MANAGEMENT SERVICES

James P. Sledge, Director

MEMORANDUM

TO:

Dom Greco, Chief Information Officer

Finance and Professional Regulation

Tony Daniels, Deputy Director

Employment Security

FROM:

Doug Kasamis, Deputy Director

Bureau of Communication and Computer Services (BCCS)

Central Management Services (CMS)

DATE:

Thursday, March 26, 2009

SUBJECT:

Redundant/Duplicative Mainframe Software Products

In an effort to reduce your SSRF charges and respond to requests for overall cost reductions in the current economy, the Bureau of Communication and Computer Services (BCCS) has identified mainframe software as an area for immediate attention. BCCS has analyzed the use of standard and supported software products among the consolidated agencies and we have identified multiple software products that perform the same function. In order to reduce the State's software costs, we will be working with the agencies to migrate to a single standard product to satisfy the functional requirements. Please review the below detail which identifies the proposed not-supported mainframe software products that may be in use by your agency and the proposed standard products.

Vendor	Product Proposed for Removal/Not- Supported	Alternate Vendor	Proposed Standard Product/Standard	Product Description
IBM	NDM	IBM	FTP	File transfer protocols
CA	XCOM	IBM	FTP	File transfer protocols

The cost for use of the not-supported software products will continue to be incorporated into your rates through June, 2010 (FY10). We recognize that your agency may not wish to migrate to the standard products. The not-supported software products the agencies choose to continue using, will be billed to the agency beginning in July, 2010 (FY11). If you migrate to the proposed standard products, there will be no additional charges. However, if you choose to keep

your not-supported products, you may incur additional charges. As we move forward in this process, you will receive more specific communications from the mainframe support staff.

Please notify Don Warren at <u>don.warren@illinois.gov</u> before March 15, 2010, if you decide **NOT** to migrate to the proposed standard software product. Adequate time will be needed to complete procurements and contracts, if you decide to continue using not-supported software.

In the coming months, we will be looking at all software platforms and opportunities for cost reductions. Our intent is to give you ample notification as we complete our analyses and consider alternatives to our current products.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation as we work together to reduce our rates and help alleviate the fiscal strain felt by the State of Illinois.

Cc: Andy Georgopolous Lynn Kupferschmid Kevin Rademacher Dan Robertson